THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY) : (a) The number of such cases in the Ministry in which preliminary enquiry was ordered is 27.

(b) Group A - 29

Group B - 14

Group C - 08

(c) The number of such complaints received in the Ministry was 59, out of which preliminary enquiry was ordered in 27 cases. 28 complaints were filed as per provisions of Vigilance Manual and action on 4 complaints is in progress.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) and (f) The review of functioning of powers of the Vigilance Section is a continuous process and is done in accordance with the provisions of the Vigilance Manual and other extant rules/procedures prescribed by Government from time to time.

[Translation]

Village Development in Chandigarh

3709. SHRI SATYA PAL JAIN : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Chandigarh administration formulated any scheme for the development of villages during 1996-97 and if so, the details thereof and the funds allocated therefc.;

(b) the funds spent on different developmental works and the number of works yet to be commenced; and

(c) the scheme formulated for the year 1997-98 in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KINJARAPPU YERRANNAIDU) : (a) Yes, Sir.

The scheme-wise allocation made by Chandigarh administration during the year 1996-97 is as under :

		Allocation of funds	
1.	Crop Husbandry	Rs.	6.85 lakhs
2.	Soil & Water Conservation	Rs.	3.30 lakhs
3.	Development of villages	Rs.	50.00 lakhs
4.	Strengthening of Panchayati Raj Institutions	Rs.	14.00 lakhs
5.	Improvement of Sanitation and Cleanliness in villages	Rs.	26.10 lakhs
6.	Training of Associates Women Workers	Rs.	0.35 lakhs
7.	Matching grant to Panchayats for Development work	Rs.	1.50 lakhs

(b) Amount spent on the implementation on schemes namely Crop Husbandry, Soil & Water Conservation, strengthening for Panchayati Raj Institutions, Improvement of Sanitation and cleanliness in villages, Training of Associates Women Workers and Matching Grant to Panchayats for development of villages is concerned projects for the entire amount have been sanctioned and funds were placed at the disposal of executing agencies. These would be completed during the current year. The details of project sanctioned are indicated in the enclosed Statement. In addition to above, an amount of Rs. 27.32. lakhs were spent during the year 1996-97 under the M.P.'s Local Area Development Scheme and four following projects stand completed:

1.	Construction of Rural Sport Stadium at village Dadumajra	Rs.	8.91,000.00
	-do- village Maloya.	Rs.	7,07,200.00
	-do- village Khuda Alisher.	Rs.	6,05,200.00
	-do- village Burail	Rs.	5,29,000.00
		Rs.	27,32,400.00

(c) An outlay of Rs. 84.00 lakhs have been approved in the Annual plan 1997-98 to implement the following schemes:

1.	Crop Husbandry	Rs. 5.00 lakhs
2.	Soil & Water Conservation	Rs. 4.00 lakh
3.	Strengthening of Panchayati Raj Institutions.	Rs.73.50 lakhs
4.	Training of Associate Women Workers	Rs. 0.30 lakhs
5.	Promotion of Mahila Mandal	Rs. 0.80 lakhs
6.	Training-Study Tours of official and non-officials	Rs. 0.40 lakhs
		Rs.84.00 lakhs

Statement

Details of the Projects sanctioned during 1996-97 under the scheme development of villages

Sl. No.	Name of works	Name of Executing Agency	Funds Deposited
1	2	3	4
1.	Prov. of 16 nos. street light points in village Dadumajra	Executive Engineer Elect.Constn. Division.UT Chandigarh	Rs. 93,450/-

1	2	3	4
2.	Laying of RCC Storm water pipe line along road Kejheri, remaining amount of original estimate of Rs. 9,54,200/-	Administrator Panchayat Samiti, UT Chandigarh.	Rs. 43,700/- Rs. 43,700/-
3.	Dismantling/Constn. of laying of RCC storm water pipe line along sports stadium V. Dadumajra.	- do -	Rs. 9,39,500/-
	(ii) Laying of RCC Storm water pipe line along circular road in village Daria	- do -	Rs. 8,83,180
4.	Dismantling of /constn. of outfall drains level crossing & brick paving of streets at vill. Dadumajra	- do -	Rs. 9,20,7000/-
5.	Laying of RCC Storm water pipe line around circular road village Sarangpur. (Rs. 2,83, 500)	- do -	Rs. 4,61,400/-
	ii) Laying of RCC Storm water pipe line along the Phirni near sports stadium for proper disposal of water in Khuda Alisher. (Rs. 1,77, 900/-).	- do -	
6.	Dismantling of constn. of outfall drains, level crossing and brick paving of streets at village Palsora, Chandigarh.	- do -	Rs. 5,69,850/-
7.	Laying of RCC Sewerage water pipe along circular road at village Raipur Khurd.	- do -	Rs. 5,55,500/-
8.	Dismantling/constn. of outfall drains level crossing/brick paying of streets at village Hallomajra,	- do -	Rs. 5,32,700/-
	Part - I (Rs. 1,78,700/-)		
	Part - B (Rs. 3,54,000/-)		
	Total Rs.		49,99,980/-

[English]

Dry Fly Ash

3710. SHRI CHINTAMAN WANAGA : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal to permit utilisation of dry fly ash from Mumbai Suburban Electric Supply Limited company at Dabru in Thane district of Maharastra has been received by the Government;

(b) if so, the action taken/proposed to be taken;

(c) whether the Government are aware of the complaints of pollution from dry fly ash; and

(d) if so, the remedial steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) to (d) The fly ash generated at the Dahanu Thermal Power Station (2x250 MW) (TPS) of Mumbai Suburban Electric Supply Company Limited (MSES) is presently being disposed of in the form of slurry. MSES has however, signed a Memorandum of Understanding with another firm for setting up of a project using fly ash for manufacturing bricks and other building materials at a location close to Dahanu TPS. The Union Ministry of Environment and Forests (MOEF) to whom the proposal was submitted has referred it to the Dahanu Taluka Environmental Protection Authority, constituted by the Ministry consequent upon the orders of the Supreme Court for its consideration at appropriate decision.

To check the emission of fly ash, electrostatic precipitators (ESPs) have been installed at the two units of Dahanu TPS. The emission level is being monitored and is within the limits prescribed by the MOEF.

[Translation]

Funds allocation under Old Age Pension Scheme

3711. SHRI BRAJ MOHAN RAM : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the amount provided to various State Governments under old age pension scheme during the last three years, State-wise;

(b) the amount given to each of the pensioner by the Union Government and the State Governments;

(c) the number of old persons given such pension under this scheme, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government propose to increase the allocation made under this scheme; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KINJARAPPU YERRANNAIDU) : (a) and (c) The National Old Age Pension Scheme (NOAPS) was launched with effect from 15th August, 1995. The amount released and number of persons benefited under NOAPS during 1995-96 and 1996-97 are given the enclosed Statement I and II.

(b) The amount of old age pension provided to each pensioner by the Centre and each State Government has been indicated in the enclosed Statement - III.

(d) and (e) Due to scarcity of funds, there is no proposal at present to increase the allocation under NOAPS.